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Max B. Fitch Goes to Missouri.

Max B. Fitch and family were in Socorro Monday, on their way to Missouri where Mr. Fitch has accepted a desirable position as assistant manager for the Columbus Mining company operating about 60 miles south of St. Louis. Mr. Fitch is well qualified by both education and experience for the duties of the responsible position he has accepted. The company is to be congratulated on securing his services.

Rainfall at Socorro.

The following statement concerning the rainfall at Socorro is copied from the record kept at the School of Mines, the precipitation for each month beginning with September, 1901, being given in inches and hundredths of an inch, viz: September, 2.65; October, 1.39; November, 1.32; December, 0.01; January, 0.66; February, 0.06; March, trace; April, 0.00; May, 0.27; June, 0.13; July, 0.90; total, 7.45.

Government Lands.

Hon. N. Galles, register of the U. S. Land office at Las Cruces, favors THE CHIEFTAIN with statistics concerning public lands in Socorro county as follows: Surveyed lands, 5,102,461 acres; unsurveyed land, 2,017,050 acres; reserved, 278,008 acres; appropriated, 140,481 acres; total, 7,538,000 acres. Land entered during the fiscal year ending July, 1902: Under the homestead law, 19 entries comprising 2,370 acres; under the desert land law, 1 entry comprising 40 acres; under the act of June 4, 1897, 4 entries comprising 280 acres; total 2,680 acres. Government land subject to be entered in Socorro county, 7,119,511 acres.

Institute and Examination.

The teachers' institute for Socorro county will convene in the high school building in this city Friday morning, August 15, and continue in session two weeks. The teachers examination will begin at the same place on Friday, the 29th inst.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

The Board Meets to Comply with Certain Writs of Mandamus.

The board of county commissioners met in special session at the court house in this city July 31 for the purpose of complying with two certain writs of mandamus, one issued out of the district court of Socorro county by the Hon. Dan'l H. McMillan, the other issued out of the district court of Santa Fe county by the Hon. J. R. McPhe. There were present Commissioners John Greenwald, chairman, and Matias Contreras and H. G. Baca, clerk and interpreter.

Two writs of mandamus were presented and read. One of the writs was issued out of the district court of Socorro county, the other out of the district court of Santa Fe county, and commanded the board either to make a special levy on the taxable property of the county or to issue bonds to pay judgments obtained by certain parties as follows: C. F. Blackington, \$7,901.00; New Mexico Printing Co., \$417.00; Eduardo V. Baca, \$1,686.73. The facts were entered upon the minutes of the meeting that these indebtednesses were created by the predecessors of the present board and that the judgments were rendered thereon prior to the beginning of the term of office of the present board.

The board considered that it would be unjust to burden the taxpayers of the county with an additional levy to pay these judgments in one year and therefore ordered the issue of bonds. These are to be 20-30 year bonds bearing 5 per cent interest payable semi-annually. The amount of the bonds will be \$10,000, if that amount is necessary to cover the judgments, interest and costs, and they will be dated September 1, 1902. It was also ordered that a direct annual tax be levied on all the taxable property of the county for the payment of the principal and interest on these bonds.

The board adjourned to meet in regular session, October, 1902.

COMPANY H ENCAMPMENT.

Close of a Pleasant and Successful Outing for the Soldier Boys.

Company H broke camp Monday night after a pleasant and successful encampment of several days at Camp Brown. This was the first military experience of the kind for the members of the company and therefore possessed all the charm of novelty. The occasion was made all the more enjoyable by the fact that the citizens of Socorro manifested a lively interest in all that pertained to it and by further fact that a crowd of visitors was almost constantly in attendance. Discipline was good during the entire encampment and the work accomplished was good in every respect.

It was the intention of the company to give their guests a grand ball Monday night, but a threatened storm prevented. The final attraction, therefore, was the sham battle Monday evening between the gallant company and a band of as wild and reckless Apaches as ever thirsted for gore or peeled away a scalp. The shadow of Socorro mountain had extended well across the valley of the Rio Grande when this band of savages led by their wily and agile chief, Mayor Cooney, emerged from among the cottonwoods near by and fell upon the camp with the evident idea of making an easy conquest of everything therein from the grub box to the pet poodle. Captain Matthews quickly formed his men in battle array, however, and by a clever bit of strategy soon had the Indians running directly toward the beer wagon where they made a last desperate stand. In fact they would not yield until every surviving member of the band was placed hors du combat. Fully a thousand persons witnessed the sanguinary struggle.

In brief, the first encampment of Company H was a decided success and the citizens of Socorro will anticipate the next occasion of the kind with genuine pleasure.

Subscribe for THE CHIEFTAIN.

OF HOME INTEREST.

Ice cream and crushed fruit at Katzenstein's.

Two big drilling machines for sale cheap at Byerts.

J. F. Cook was a northbound passenger Thursday morning.

A fine stock of chickens for sale cheap at Byerts.

A. H. Hilton of San Antonio had business in this city Tuesday.

George Cooper of Water Cañon was a visitor in town Thursday.

Read Fischer & Ruff's ad in this number. It will interest you.

Frank F. Smith left Tuesday for his cattle ranch near Monticello.

Mrs. Jos. E. Smith expects soon to visit her former home in Wisconsin.

Joseph Wickham arrived at his home in Socorro Sunday from Douglas, Arizona.

Emil Katzenstein has accepted the position of messenger for the Western Union.

Hon. Elfege Baca and family left Sunday morning for their new home in El Paso.

J. H. Files and wife of Boston are among the strangers sojourning within the gates of the city.

R. E. Montgomery registered among the guests at the Windsor Thursday from Fort Worth, Texas.

Byerts is offering to sell his stock of merchandise at 50 cents on the dollar. Here is a snap for somebody.

Mrs. C. T. Brown and Doctor J. Kornitzer were passengers for Water Cañon on Tuesday morning's train.

Doctor Driscoll and Marvel Smith came down Thursday from a prolonged stay at the mines in Water Cañon.

Billy Hinkle left this morning for San Marcial where he enters upon his duties as fireman on the Santa Fe road.

Mrs. D. Wells is visiting friends in the city on her way from Magdalena to join her husband in El Paso.

Seferino Abeyta returned yesterday morning from Belen where he visited several days with relatives and friends.

Mrs. E. C. Burdick and daughter, Mrs. C. A. Anent, of Deming have been in the city two or three days this week.

Sisters Dolores and Mary Agatha of Mt. Carmel convent were passengers for Albuquerque on Monday morning's train.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Michaelis of Magdalena were in town Monday on their way to San Francisco for a month's vacation.

J. P. Kelly was in town yesterday from Water Cañon. Mr. Kelly reported but little rain and cool nights in the Cañon.

Rev. Jos. McConnell arrived in the city yesterday morning from California where he greatly enjoyed an outing of several weeks.

A bad washout east of La Junta has disorganized the mail service. The train from the east this morning was several hours late.

Misses Kate and Anna Horn of San Marcial, who were guests of Mrs. Morgan of this city for several days, returned home this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Potter came down from Magdalena Thursday to take up their residence in the Cortes cottage on McCutchen avenue.

Mrs. W. E. Martin and mother-in-law, Mrs. Martin, left on Saturday afternoon for Coronado Beach, Calif., to spend the month of August.—New Mexican.

W. W. Jones of San Marcial was a visitor in Socorro Monday. Mr. Jones is receiving the congratulations of his friends over his greatly improved health.

Mrs. W. H. Bryan and children of El Paso are guests of Miss Stelle Ramsey of this city. Mrs. Bryan and family are pleasantly remembered by the many friends they made during their recent short residence in Socorro.

A large assortment of white goods, checked Nainsook, dotted dimities, Victoria lawn, Swiss mull, India linen, very low in prices at Price Bros. & Co.

Andy Wickham arrived in town Sunday from Mexico. He visited at the home of his parents until Wednesday, when he left for the Cripple Creek mines.

Hon. Sol Luna was out at his sheep ranches west of Magdalena the first of the week. On his return Mr. Luna reported dry weather and short feed on his ranges.

C. H. Elmendorf of the American Valley Co. passed through the city Tuesday morning on his way to the company's extensive ranges in the western part of the county.

Attorney A. A. Sedillo and family returned yesterday from an outing at Riley, west of Magdalena. Mr. Sedillo reported dry weather prevailing where he visited.

James W. Abbott of New Madrid, Mo., arrived in Socorro Wednesday to visit his sister, Mrs. S. C. Westlake. Mr. Abbott will probably reside in New Mexico.

The well known firm of Hood Bros. & Hudson of Frisco has dissolved partnership. G. L. Hood continues the business, collects all outstanding accounts, and pays all bills.

Mrs. John E. Griffith returned Thursday morning from a visit with relatives and friends at her former home in Ohio. Mr. Griffith and Lena are expected to arrive in a day or two.

J. B. Squires, now at his home in Philadelphia, has not been in the best of health of late. He will soon return to Socorro, a fact which will greatly please his many friends here.

Mrs. Charlotte Cortes and son Andy left Thursday morning for Douglas, Arizona, on business. They will remain in Douglas for a few days only and then visit points in California.

Hon. H. M. Dougherty and family left Monday morning for Denver. Mr. Dougherty will return in about a week, but Mrs. Dougherty will visit relatives in Kansas City before her return home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Grimes of Portsmouth, Ohio, were in the city between trains yesterday morning on their way to Magdalena where they will be the guests of Captain and Mrs. A. B. Fitch.

J. J. Leeson, who is now agent for Abran Abeyta in the management of the Garcia opera house, has already made dates with several theatrical companies for entertainments in the near future.

Miss Daisy Huntsinger of Albuquerque arrived in Socorro Wednesday to visit her brother H. G. Huntsinger, the photographer. They will take a trip to the salt lake west of Magdalena next week.

The Misses Girardot and Steinhour who were guests of Mrs. Frank F. Smith for several days left Tuesday morning for Trinidad where they will visit relatives before returning to their homes in Denver.

T. J. Cox and family were in the city Thursday on their way from Frisco, where they have resided for some time, to a new home in northern Texas. Mr. Cox has been employed recently as book-keeper for Hood Bros. & Hudson.

Mrs. Paul J. Terry and little daughter arrived in the city Monday from their home in Juarez, Mexico, for a month's visit with relatives and friends. Mrs. Terry is now visiting her sister, Miss Anne W. Fitch, in Water Cañon.

Prof. P. A. Marcellino escorted several of his friends Wednesday to his fruit ranch five miles north of the city. The peach trees were found to be only moderately laden, but with fruit of an excellent quality. The pear trees were bending and breaking under their load. These orchards afford a fine illustration of what results the intelligent cultivation of fruit will produce in the Rio Grande valley.

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Mrs. H. F. Bowman of Las Vegas is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Howell, on California street. On her arrival Wednesday morning Mrs. Bowman was accompanied by Miss Hazel, who had visited in Las Vegas for several weeks.

Fischer & Ruff have opened a meat Market at the southeast corner of the plaza and are already receiving their full share of the city patronage besides doing some wholesale business. Both members of the firm are well known in Socorro and their success is assured.

The Zeodogathian club chartered May & Yunker's wagonette Wednesday evening and had a pleasant starlight excursion to points of interest in the immediate vicinity of the city, including the Springs and the School of Mines. The members of the club in the party were Misses K. and A. Horn, M. Kiehne, D. Stamps, and N. Landon and Messrs. J. F. Wickham, F. E. Landon, W. Hinkle, G. Kline and W. M. Swisher.

County Assessor Benj. Sanchez favors THE CHIEFTAIN with figures from his forthcoming official report as follows: Value of land, \$384,890; improvements, \$275,061; value of land and improvements, \$659,951; value of cattle, \$342,865; number of sheep, 130,994; value of personal property, \$142,131; total assessed valuation, \$2,081,265; exemption, \$145,200; county commissioners' raise, \$23,675; final assessed valuation, \$1,959,740.

LIVELY COUNCIL MEETING.

Large Attendance of Citizens to Listen to Proposals for Purchase of City Lands.

There was a large attendance of citizens at a special meeting of the council last night. Great interest has been aroused in the proposed disposal of considerable areas of the city's lands. Abran Abeyta and W. H. Byerts are seeking to purchase lands between the smelter and the mountain and considerable earnestness was displayed by the two gentlemen in arguing the merits of their respective bids. By formal resolution of the city council the whole matter of the disposal of the city's lands was delegated to Mayor Cooney.

Messrs. Byerts and Abeyta were interviewed this morning by a representative of THE CHIEFTAIN to the following effects, viz: Mr. Abeyta—My proposition to the city council is to take 2,000 acres or more of the city's lands at its appraised valuation and pay for it in cash, legal city scrip and bonds. Mr. Byerts—I have just drawn an offer in writing to Mayor Cooney of \$2.50 an acre for 100 acres of the city's lands next the mountain west of the smelter. If, however, the city wishes to dispose of ten acres surrounding the smelter spring I will give \$1,000 for that alone.

These are the statements made by the prospective buyers themselves and the public is at liberty to judge of the merits of the two propositions.

THE CHIEFTAIN office has just been supplied with a stock of card envelopes.